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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

The above-captioned patent application has been carefully reviewed in light of the Final Office Action and Advisory Action to which the Amendment is responsive. Claims 1-14 are pending. Claims 4, 5, 11 and 12 have been determined to claim patentable subject matter, but were objected to as depending from a rejected independent claim.

Claims 1 has been amended to incorporate all of the limitations of claims 2, 3 and 4, and is therefore in condition for allowance. Claim 5 has been amended to depend from newly amended claim 1. Similarly, claim 8 has been amended to incorporate all of the limitations of claims 9, 10 and 11, and is therefore in condition for allowance. Claim 12 has been amended to depend from newly amended claim 8. Claims 2-4, 6, 7, 9 -11, 13 and 14 are canceled without prejudice.


In summary, Applicant submits that the pending claims, as amended, are now in an allowable condition and such allowance is earnestly solicited.

If the Examiner wishes to expedite disposition of the above-captioned patent application, he is invited to contact Applicant's representative at the telephone number below.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0289.

Respectfully submitted,

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